

Great Basin Coordinating Group Conference Call Notes

Date: 07/15/2017 **Time:** 0900 Mountain / 0800 Pacific

Facilitator: Dennis Terry

Agenda Items:

Predictive Services Update:

...HIGH RISK for Scattered Thunderstorms Today Northeast NV...

...HIGH RISK for Increasing Thunderstorms This Weekend across Nrn NV /Srnr ID / Nrn UT...

...HIGH RISK for Gusty Winds/Low RH Monday in Western NV...

Today, moisture will continue to produce scattered thunderstorms in a narrow band across Ern NV and possibly into far NW Utah. We have issued *High Risk* for much of northeastern Nevada for today, where storms will not be quite as wet as further south. Moisture increases further this weekend with greater lightning coverage Saturday over the northern half of Nevada into Southwest ID, then shifting into the central and eastern half of Nevada, Northern Utah and Southeast Idaho on Sunday. We have issued *High Risk* for much of this area. Lightning will continue Monday across Utah/Southeast ID/WY, however moisture may increase with some increased RH and wetting rains. Thunderstorms may decrease in coverage over the Eastern Great Basin by the middle of next week, however, thunderstorms will increase again to the north and west later next week.

Winds will increase Monday with low RH over western NV and *High Risk* has been issued for these conditions.

GB Coordinating Center Update:

- Heavy IA
- 38 New fires for 18832 acres
- Large Fire Growth: 12025
- Teams: 2 T1, 2 T2
- Aircraft: 8 AT; 4 Scoopers; 26 SEATs, 3 LP, 10 T1 Helo: 1 available, 13 T2 Helo: 4 available in ID; 24 T3 Helo: 15 reserved for IA
- 23 Smokejumpers across 5 Bases
- Crews: 18 T1: 2 available, 2 committed to Long Valley; 34 T2IA: 6 available; 19 T2: 6 available

NMAC:

- Not a lot. Watching fires.
- Good use of Staging Areas and Taskforces

GB MAC:

- A lot of good work yesterday
- Decent Crew capability today
- Fires sharing resources
- Elko: Work on replacements for resources sent to other fires
- Long Valley: Incredible runs – get some helicopters

Nanette

Gina Dingman

Ken Schmid

Dennis Terry

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aviation: Mike Reid: ASAT: FS Compliance Team in R5. DOI Contract Compliance Team is for SEATs only. BLM QA Team on July 25 for Exclusive Use BLM assets. May be good opportunity for ASAT for incidents and helibases. Working with Long Valley AOB on moving towards a heliwell. Get them more rotor power in case they lose ATs. Mike Boomer: With 3 FBANs and LTAN, they can work on Fire Behavior Advisory. Will work on it today. 		
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Name	Agency Update	Notes
Sue Stewart	USFS Region 4: Nothing to Report	
Carlos Nosie Jr.	BIA Western Region: Nothing to Report	
Jessica Wade	Utah BLM: Nothing to Report	
Steve Shaw	Nevada BLM: Weather concern. Keep pushing things to Long Valley and get buttoned up. Could use Agency Administrators help. State Director asked for Rapid Lessons Shared (RLS) on fire behavior for out of area crews. Concerned about Jar Bidge and S ID fires.	
Mike Morcom	Idaho BLM: New Start at 0300: Juni. Boise District. 300 acres, dozer line, engines, 50% est contained. Remote, priority habitat area, assessing, no critical needs. Other starts: getting aircraft up.	
Rance Marquez	Arizona BLM: Nothing to Report	
Brett Ostler	State of Utah: Nothing to Report	
Rick	State of Idaho: Nothing to Report	
Ron Bollier	State of Nevada: One Fire: Brenda – not a factor. Support Cold Springs and Long Valley. Dennis Terry: Talked to Palma about Brenda, 100% contained, on our radar	
David Carter	FWS: Nothing to Report	
Steve Sorensen	NPS Intermountain Region: Nothing to Report	
Robin Wills	NPS Pacific West: Nothing to Report	
Priorities from last night and IC Call: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MM155 Long Valley Cornucopia Snowstorm Summer Juni Bravo 17 Draw Farad Roosters Comb Brianhead Brenda 		

GBCG supports the priority list. Mike Morcom: With more intel on Juni, may ask to move up on list.

Other Issues: ASAT:

- Jessica: We've been pretty active, time to take a look.
- Sue: In favor of launching ASAT if other members OK. No one opposes.
- Steve Shaw: Make sure there is clear intent of goals and missions. Fear in past that not that effective. Delegation: CG comments on it and finds the right players.
- Mike Reid: Worked on template over the Winter. Action Item list for each base or a daily list.

Date and Time of Next Call: 7/15 @ 0900 MT / 0800 PT